Parent / Caregivers Survey 2011

We need and value your support...

So that we can help your child succeed at school, we need to know more about literacy, numeracy and technology in the home.

Please note: There is only one survey per family.

Family Name:

Who filled in this survey?  Mother  Father  Caregiver  Other  (Please circle)

a) Please circle your child / children’s grade:  K 1  2  3  4  5  6

b) Please indicate the number of children (under 5 years of age) not at school:  

c) Please indicate the number of children at High school or older:  

Question 1
At this stage in your child’s learning, which of these aspects of literacy do you consider most important?  
(Number the 3 most important 1 – 2 – 3)

writing / stories / letter / notes / information skills / reading / listening / poetry / grammar / books / spelling
handwriting / literature / drama / library skills / debating / public Speaking

Are there any other areas you would like to see added to the literacy program at Corrimal PS?

Question 2
At this stage in your child’s learning, which of these aspects of Numeracy do you consider most important?  
(Number the 3 most important 1 – 2 – 3)

addition / subtraction / multiplication, times tables / division / problem solving / mental arithmetic / Data / space/ measurement / 3D & 2D shapes

Are there any other areas you would like to see added to the numeracy program at Corrimal PS?

Question 3
At this stage in your child’s learning, which of these aspects of technology do you consider most important?  
(Number the 3 most important 1 – 2 – 3)

internet / typing skills / word processing / multi media presentations / researching information / movie making / computer assisted learning eg Maths games, Mathletics / digital cameras / information skills / blogs / iPads / iPods / Laptops

Are there any other areas you would like to see added to the technology program at Corrimal PS?
Question 4
Would you like to know more about the literacy programs which are offered at Corrimal PS?

Yes  No

Question 5
Would you like to know more about the technology programs which are offered at Corrimal PS?

Yes  No

Question 6  (Please circle)
If you answered Yes to either of the proceeding questions, how would you like to receive more information?

* Day meetings  * Night meetings
* Items in the newsletter  * Information leaflets from each class
* Information sessions  * Classroom demonstrations
* other suggestions __________________________________________

Question 7  (Please circle)
Do you, or any other person read to your K – 2 aged child at home?  Yes  No

Everyday  Nearly everyday  Often  Sometimes  Never

Comments:________________________________________________________________________________

Question 8  (Please circle)
Do you, or any other person read to your primary (Year 3 -6) aged child at home?  Yes  No

Everyday  Nearly everyday  Often  Sometimes  Never

Comments:________________________________________________________________________________

Question 9  (Please circle)
Do they read to you?  Yes  No

Everyday  Nearly everyday  Often  Sometimes  Never

Comments:________________________________________________________________________________

Question 10  (Please circle)
Do they read to somebody else?  Yes  No

Everyday  Nearly everyday  Often  Sometimes  Never

Comments:________________________________________________________________________________
**Question 11** (Please circle)
Does your child borrow from the school library? Yes No
What improvements would you like to see made to the school library so that we could increase the students use of the library?
Comment: ________________________________________________________________________________

**Question 12** (Please circle)
Does your child borrow from the town library? Yes No
How often: Weekly Fortnightly Monthly

**Question 13** (Please circle)
What type of reading material do YOU prefer to read?
Fiction / Non fiction / Magazines / Newspapers / Manuals / Work related materials / reading BLOGs online / online newspapers / downloaded ebooks / etc

**Question 14** (Please circle)
Do you have any of the following help in assisting your child with learning at home?
Dictionary / Atlas / Encyclopaedia - Book or computer based / Computer / Video / TV / Books / CD Rom / internet / Digital Cameras / Mobile Phone / Play Station / MP3 players / Memory Sticks / email anything else I have not mentioned: __________________________________________________________

**Question 15** (Please circle)
a) Do you know what theme or topic your child is working on in class? Yes No
b) Would you like to be kept informed about the work being studied by your child in class? Yes No
Comments: _______________________________________________________________________________

**Question 16** (Please circle)
What activities does your child do outside of school hours?
How many hours spent playing sport outside school?
Play sport (Please list) ______________________________________________________________________
Music / Scouts / Guides / Drama / Singing Lessons / other : __________________________________

**Question 17** (Please circle)
How do you value homework as learning?
Highly Medium Low Don’t know
Comment: ____________________________________________________________________________
**Question 18** (Please circle)
When does your children do their homework?
How long do they spend doing homework?
Do they have a tutor outside of school?
Before dinner  Evenings  Mornings  Other: _______________________

**Question 19** (Please circle)
Where is your children’s work place for doing homework / study?
Bedroom  Kitchen table  Dining Room  In front of the TV  Other: ______________________

**Question 20**
How can Corrimal PS better support you and your child with homework?
Comment: ______________________________________________________________________

**Question 21** (Please circle)
Does the TV or computer games play a major part in your child’s everyday learning / leisure?  Yes  No
If Yes, what are the main shows / games they like to watch/play? ____________________________

**Question 22** (Please circle)
Does your child have an iPad / iPod touch at home? (Please circle which ones) Yes  No
For what purpose? E.g. games, homework, research, internet, other __________________________

**Question 23** (Please circle)
If you answered Yes to the above question, would you be happy for your child to bring it to school? Yes  No
If you answered Yes to the above question, would you be happy to allow the school to download teaching apps onto the device? Yes  No
Would you be willing to download the APP’s required? Yes / No

**Question 24** (Please circle)
Does your child discuss what they have learned at school with you? Yes  No
Comment: ______________________________________________________________________
**Question 25**

Reporting to parents includes:

- Parent Teacher information session’s
- Half yearly & yearly reports
- Parent Teacher interviews

Teachers use continuous records to inform these reporting models to parents.

Do you believe that parents are well informed of the progress of children at Corrimal PS? 

Yes  No

In what ways might we improve the reporting of student learning to parents?
Comments: __________________________

**Question 26**

What would you like your child to be able to do when they leave Corrimal PS in Year 6?

Comment: __________________________

**Question 27**

Have you ever assisted in the classroom or with sporting activities? 

Yes  No

If you answered Yes please circle…Reading Groups / Maths Groups / Music activities / Art activities / other

Would you like to assist in the classroom or with sporting activities? 

Yes  No

**Question 28**

We have changed a few things this year…Please comment!

*The…*

How do you rate:

- School Newsletter  Great!  OK  Not so good
- Weekly Assembly  Great!  OK  Not so good
- Special Days & activities  Great!  OK  Not so good
- Sport organisation  Great!  OK  Not so good

Comments: __________________________

**Question 29**

Permission Notes are sent home / placed on the website… on a regular basis, to seek parent permission and inform parents about different school activities and coming events.

Can Permission notes be improved? 

Yes  No

Comment: __________________________

Would you like to get all notes with the newsletter on the same day? 

Yes  No
Question 30
School attendance is compulsory. We attempt to keep our records up to date. To do this we provide absent notes / send reminder letters home / print reminders in the school newsletter.

Can absentee information gathering be improved? Yes No
Please make some suggestions….
Comment: ________________________________________________________________________________

Question 31
Money collection happens on three days each week, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Money is placed in an envelope marked with name / class / event and placed into the mailbox in the front office. Envelopes are available from the front office anytime.

Can we improve the money/ note gathering procedures? Yes No
Please make some suggestions….
Comment: ________________________________________________________________________________

Question 32
Bullying is a pattern of behaviour by one or more persons towards another, which is designed to hurt, injure, embarrass, humiliate, upset or discomfort that person. The behaviour is intentional, selective or uninvited.

It can be…
- Physical aggression
- Use of putdown comments or insults
- Name calling
- Damage to a person’s property
- Deliberate exclusion from activities by peers
- The setting up of humiliating experiences
- Child / child, adult / child, child / adult, adult / adult.

I agree with this definition. Yes No

Question 33
Do you believe that bullying is a problem for your child at school? Yes No
Comment: ________________________________________________________________________________

Question 34
The school has put a program in place to minimise bullying. We reviewed our school rules and we have introduced Bully Steps which are taught each term during the Relief From Face to Face program. The rules and Bully steps are in every classroom and other areas around the school.

The rules are…
- Safety – always be safe
- Respect – Respect everyone and everything
- Learning – Do your best
The Bully steps are…
1. Be kind.
2. Walk away.
3. Ignore them.
4. Be brave.
5. Tell someone.

To have an effective impact the school needs full parental support. Do you support this program?

Yes  No

Comment: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Any further comments: ____________________________________________________________________________________

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Is there any thing else you would like to add that we have not mentioned in this survey?

Comments:

Thank you

*for the time and effort you have put into completing this survey,*

*it is greatly appreciated.*

*The results of this survey will be given to all parents and caregivers and used to inform our future school directions.*

Important

*Please complete this survey by Friday 11th November and return to school. All students who return the survey completed will go into a lucky draw for a great surprise.*